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THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

The Citizens' Association recommended a measure to insure the adoption of the constitutional convention proposal by the voters next year. It follows the Ohio law passed in 1910, which provided that the convention proposition should be put in a prominent place on the ballot, and that if any political party in state convention took a position for or against the proposal, then all "straight" party ballots should be counted in conformity.

JAMES O'SHAUGHNESSY HELPING UNCLE SAM.

James O'Shaughnessy, secretary-treasurer of the Affiliated Associations of Advertising Agencies, has issued a statement saying that his organization stood ready to place its services, experience and facilities at the disposal of the government.

In pointing out the value of advertising to the country Mr. O'Shaughnessy declared:

"Advertising men are exceptionally skilled in problems of distribution and elimination of waste. Since the waste of time, energy and opportunity are such great destroying factors in war, the service which the advertising agents can render the country in case of war will be of the highest value. This will be a new service under such conditions. It will be the application to the government's problem of conservation and distribution, of the advisory and directing wisdom which has so magnificently served in developing America's commerce."

GEORGE K. SPOOR.

George K. Spoor deserves well of Chicago. To his indomitable energy, pluck, perseverance and public spirit is due the fact that Chicago is to rank first hereafter in film distributing. The great Essanay Company of which he is the head is growing every day and when it comes to attractions money is no object with it.

Following George K. Spoor's example John R. Freuler, president of the Mutual Film corporation brought his entire organization from New York to quarters in the Consumers building. Here he directs the destinies of the concerns which supply his program with their output and circulate the pictures handily throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

George Kleine, the big film magnate, after tasting of New York's inconveniences, returns to Chicago next month with his entire executive staff, and will make this city the headquarters from which he will direct his twenty-two exchanges, located in various parts of the United States.

"From a geographical viewpoint," declared Mr. Kleine, "Chicago is the logical center for our business. Its transportation facilities are unequalled and it is in direct communication with every part of the country. Within a radius of twenty-six hours from Chicago you can reach most of the important cities of this country and Canada, while twenty-six hours east of New York you are on the high seas."

Carpenters and decorators are engaged with the premises at 61 East Adams street, preparing for the reception of Mr. Kleine and his associates. This will be the controlling office of the K. E. S. E. branches from which the films will be distributed and where the policies shaping the conduct of the business will be decided upon.

Mr. Kleine's activities will be along the distributing line, excepting for occasional comedies, with which he is concerned. "If I do decide to produce big pictures," he states, "it will not be with any degree of regularity. I may bring out an occasional production which will mean something and be worth while."

"I do not believe in the frequent presentation of new pictures," he continued. "You do not see the theatrical producers presenting a new play every



JAMES O'SHAUGHNESSY.
Leading Advertising Man Who Will Help Uncle Sam.

week or month. When Klaw & Erlanger or Cohan & Harris are ready to put on a play they do so. That is how the picture business should be conducted, and in time it will be."

FINANCIAL GOSSIP

E. W. Wagner & Co.: "Besides the influence of booming business as a result of war preparations, we have the fundamental underlying factors so absolutely necessary to the success of a constructive market in securities, viz.: Money in abundance at low rates and prospects of bountiful crops. We think prices will go much higher."

The Union Trust Company announces that Mr. C. G. Powell, who has been associated with the bond department of this bank for the past six years, has been placed in charge of that department.

Announcement was made by the Union Trust Company that Frederick A. Yard, formerly president of Yard, Otis & Taylor, having disposed of his interest in that company, will join the Union Trust organization as vice-president, with special supervision of the bond department. In enlarging its present banking offices, the Union Trust Company will devote a part of the additional space to its bond department, and will engage in original underwriting on a much larger scale than before. Mr. Yard has been active in the investment market of Chicago since 1904 and has been the head of Yard, Otis & Taylor since 1911. By joining the Union Trust, he brings to its bond department a fund of energy and experience and an excellent record for successful operations in both the fields of buying and selling securities.

Chicago bank clearings gained \$97,840,760, or 27.71 per cent, over those of the corresponding week last year. The total was \$451,725,989, as against \$353,879,129 a year ago.

The Chicago Telephone Company filed a petition with the state public utilities commission asking for an order by the commission authorizing it to issue capital stock to the amount of \$6,000,000. The stock will be offered to stockholders at par as soon as sanction is given by the commission.

The Chicago packing houses are understood to be piling record earnings by reason of high prices. A financial authority declared that Wilson & Co. earnings in January amounted to \$825,000. This was the residue after the payment of bond interest. It amounts to practically the full year's requirements of the \$12,000,000 preferred stock, so that everything earned in the remaining eleven months is available for the \$20,000,000 common.

Net operating income of the Chicago Telephone Company for February was \$361,900, against \$362,370, a decrease of \$470 compared with the corresponding month last year.

According to the annual report of the Assets Realization Company, the net loss in the last fiscal year was \$939,400. The total deficit is now \$5,175,488.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company has decided to double the capital stock of the Western Electric Company, one of the subsidiaries, from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000, and a meeting has been called for April 3 to take action.

The Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank, the Central Trust Company of Illinois, Leo, Higginson & Co., and other Chicago banks and trust houses are offering subscriptions to the new issue of \$100,000,000 French government two year 5 1/2 per cent secured loan convertible gold notes to be dated April 1, 1917, and to mature April 1, 1919, without option of prior payment. The price is 99 and interest which, if the notes are carried to maturity, will yield slightly over 6 per cent.

VOTE FOR HAZEN

Irwin R. Hazen proved himself to be a good alderman when in the city council before. He should be elected again next Tuesday.

EAGLETS.

Frank Johnston, first assistant state's attorney, returned to his desk from a three weeks' vacation at Hot Springs, Ark., to find a letter from the president of his class, West Point, '92, asking him to send his name and address to the War Department, so that he may be communicated with should his services be required.

The recent advance in Walden W. Shaw stock appears to have been due to the announcement that the company has purchased and ordered canceled \$90,000 par value of the preferred stock. The first retirement date for the preferred issue is Jan. 1, 1918. The cancellation at this time is taken to suggest the possibility of early dividend action on the common shares.

R. E. Tomlinson, formerly a Chicago lawyer, has been elected president of the National Biscuit Company, of which he has been for some time vice president and general manager. He succeeds the late A. W. Green. W. H. Moore has become chairman of the board of directors, a position which has been re-established.

The Illinois Society of Colonial Dames met Friday for luncheon at the Blackstone with Mrs. John Cramer in charge. April 9, the Friendly Aid society will have a musical in the crystal ballroom of this hotel. Other functions listed for the coming fortnight under the same roof include the Junior league supper dance on April 10; the buffet luncheon on that same date, given by the Chicago Colony of New England Women; the dinner on April 11, for which the hostess will be Mrs. S. Straus, and the luncheon April 14 by the Western Association of Wells college, for which the chairman is Mrs. W. G. Pietsch; May 10 the Pennsylvania society will banquet in the Blackstone, and May 12 there will be a similar affair by the Cornell alumni resident in Chicago.

Sidney Adler, the well known lawyer, is in the front rank of boomers in his native city—Chicago.

S. P. Melander, the well known photographer at 67 West Ohio street, has been 50 years in business and 33 years in the same place. A pretty good record.

K. G. Schmidt & Son have opened their new subdivision in North Edgewater. It is located at the southeast corner of Fairfield and Devon avenues—one of the most beautiful and accessible of locations.

Judge Victor P. Arnold of the Superior Court is making a good record in the Juvenile Court.

The election machinery of Chicago and Cook County is in safe hands with Judge Scully at the head of it.

Judge Charles A. McDonald is making a splendid record on the Superior Court bench. He is a conscientious and fair-minded judge.

John C. Richberg, the veteran and able lawyer, is always fighting for the advancement of his native city—Chicago.

Adam Wolf is one of the most popular men in Chicago. You can't beat him.

Edward Uihlein of the great Schlitz Brewing Company is one of the up-builders of Chicago.

Joseph A. O'Donnell, former legislator and park commissioner, is one of the most popular members of the Chicago bar.

M. Henry Guerin, the popular lawyer, is much talked of for judicial honors.

Charles C. Breyer is one of the best liked men on the Northwest Side. He is noted for his public spirit and devotion to the interests of his fellow citizens.

Frank Hogan, the highly respected president of the Heco Envelope Company, would make a good mayor. He is a man of great executive ability and earnestness of purpose and he numbers his friends by the thousands.

IN THE LIMELIGHT

FOE OF COUNTERFEITERS



seven good dollar bills and a silver half dollar, a transaction giving all the profit he could make in one operation.

But he had not acted his part very well. He forgot to test the pen and fust over it before putting it in his pocket, as an honest purchaser would have done, and that failure, or oversight, aroused the suspicion of the clerk. He took the bill to the bank, where it was pronounced bad.

The clerk rushed to the station, where he found a train ready to pull out. He found in the last car the young man making notes with his new pen and looking as unconcerned as if oblivious of the fact that in his pocket were more of his homemade notes. After a couple of days' reflection in close confinement, he told where his plant was concealed in Los Angeles, and it has been confiscated. He is in prison.

DIRECTS NAVAL AFFAIRS

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, is one man on whom the eyes of the whole world are turned today.

From Raleigh, N. C.—an inland city—he was made President Wilson's navy chief. He has to start the building of these newly authorized warships—three battleships, one battle cruiser, three scout cruisers, fifteen destroyers, thirty-eight submarines, one destroyer tender and one submarine tender.

He has to finish these other naval vessels previously authorized—seven battleships, five battle cruisers, seven scout cruisers, thirty-five destroyers, forty-eight submarines, one destroyer tender, one submarine tender, one hospital ship, one fuel ship, one ammunition ship, and one gunboat.

With shipbuilding being overworked, with a shortage of skilled labor, he has to get all of these vessels built efficiently and quickly. At his disposal have been placed specific appropriations of \$317,380,447.08, which is by far the largest sum ever appropriated for the United States naval establishment.



NEWSPAPER MAN PROMOTED



Press for 15 years, resigning October 8, 1913, to accept the post of private secretary to the secretary of the treasury, which he has held until now.

His wife was formerly Miss Annie C. Callflower of Washington, whom he married in 1907. They have five children, George R., Jr.; Annie C. V., Charles E., Harry J., and Joseph E. Cooksey.

The post, as revived by the present legislation, carries a salary of \$5,000 a year, the same amount that is paid to assistant secretaries. The pay began March 1.

HE WHIPPED CROWN PRINCE

Being a German-American, but at the same time a loyal American citizen, Otto H. Krause, isn't boasting about his extraordinary feat, but there is a bit of pride in his manner when he says to his friends, "I am probably the only man in the world who ever licked the Kaiser."

"Of course, it is some years ago when Kaiser Wilhelm and I had our little fistfight," said Mr. Krause, who is a hotelkeeper and a former chief of Hackensack's fire department. "I really didn't know that the boy I whipped in 1896 was the German prince, and I was so angry at the time I did not care. My grandfather, Herman Vogel, was at that time in charge of the city waterworks at Potsdam, and he gave me a bouquet of flowers to take to the palace. On my way I had about my age, six years, grabbed the flowers from my hand and proceeded to run away. I caught him, took the flowers, and whipped him. The nurse came to his rescue, and it was then I was told the boy was the crown prince. Being a boyish prank, the offense was overlooked, but I never forgot it, and naturally the Kaiser's great war power just now impresses it more deeply on my mind."

Mr. Krause is now in his fifty-eighth year. He was at one time in the German navy. He has lived in Hackensack, N. J., for 30 or more years.



"Such devotion!"

"Yes?"

"She's never seen without her poodle."

"Now I understand."

"What?"

"The reason why she is so often seen without her husband."

The Reason.

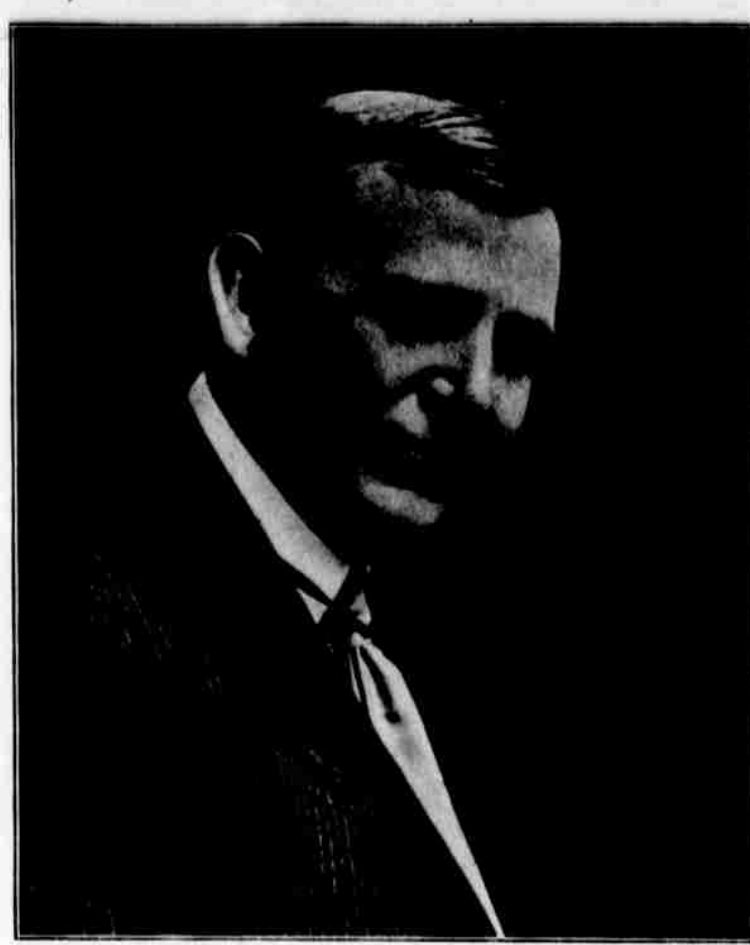
Selfish Motive.

"Dubwaite tells me that he is never happy unless he has a few friends in the house."

"Some men are like Dubwaite."

"Hospitable, you mean?"

"Not particularly. Having friends in the house is the only way they can keep their wives on good behavior."



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the most highly respected financiers and bankers in the West, and the bank of which he is the head has won a well-deserved reputation for fair dealing and solidity. Its deposits are growing every day and it numbers among its customers many of the best people and strongest business concerns in the city.

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